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The pianist for the evening was Fred W. Church. The orchestra directed by Prof. Walter never played with more pleasing effect as a home entertainment.

The First Part.

Was the presentation of "The Bl-eyers," a farce by John Kendrick Bangs. The following is the cast of characters.

Mr. Robert Yardley, an expert—R. L. Hunt.

Mr. Jack Barlow, another expert—G. Ennis.

Mr. Thaddeus Perkins, a beginner—Lester Winwood.

Mr. Edward Bradley, a scuffer—Will Armstrong.

Mrs. Thaddeus Perkins, a resistant—Miss Lena Ulrich.

Mrs. Edward Bradley, an enthusiast—Miss Corinne Shellabarger.

Mrs. Corinne Shellabarger, a gentle, a maid—Miss Bessie Young.

The Second Part.

Consisted of tableaux and music under the auspices of the Decatur chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The committee in charge of this part of the program were:

Tableaux—Mrs. A. T. Summers, Mrs. L. P. Libby, Mrs. V. N. Hostetter and Mrs. V. G. Hatch.

Minuet—Mrs. William Barnes, Mrs. Arthur Alexander and Mrs. Lucien Shellabarger.

The program will be as follows: Song—"The Landing of the Pilgrims," George Dunston.

Tableau—John Alden and Priscilla, Mr. Wymond and Miss Colledge.

Spinning Song—"Priscilla," Miss Mae Harwood.

Tableau—Lady Washington Tea, Mrs. George Powers as Lady Washington.

Minuet of Ye Olden Tyme by the following young ladies:

Mrs. L. Shellabarger, Mrs. Will Barnes, Mrs. Fred Storer, Misses Laura Johns, G. Shellabarger, M. Voorhis, Ida Voorhis, Sletty, Edith Race, Eva Hamer, J. Montgomery, Eugenia Harris, Annie Rainer, Louis Boyd, M. Roberts, A. Blackstone.

The Third Part.

Consisted of a minstrel entertainment with the following program:

In the Center—Ben Freeman.

Bones—"Teddy," Barney, "Ikey" Armstrong, "Billie," McBride.

Timbony—"Chick," Freeman, "Lombardi," Patin, "All" Freeman.

Semi-circle—Alexander, Bunn, Brown, W. Bramble, B. Bramble, Bowers, Buckmaster, Bellman, Chilson, Collday, Davis, Dickson, Dunston, J. Freeman, Gher, Haines, Hoy, Hughes, Irwin, Johnson, Kepler, Kessler, Kelly, Keeler, Myers, Maffit, Morgan, Osborne, Quinlan, Radcliff, Ruby, Somerville, Scroggs, Stirling, Tiggart, Walter Shade, W. A. Boettger.

Program.

Overture—Orchestra.

"The Colored Four Hundred"—Com-

pany.

"A Hot Time in Dis Old Town"—J. L.

Patin.

"Lifes Lullaby"—R. W. Chilson.

"You'll Always Find Us on Hang-

ing Round"—George Barney.

"Clang of the Forge"—George Dun-

ston.

Buck and Wing Dancing—Walter Wil-

son.

Song—"Hootchee Cootchee Dance,"

Charles Freeman.

Minuet—Big Four.

"Scatter Yaller Roses on de Way"—F.

E. Bunn.

"The Blow Alder Killed Fasher"—

Allerton Freeman.

"The Bandits' Bride"—Arthur Alex-

ander.

Solo—"Selected," "Black Patin."

"The Darky Cavalier"—Company.

Announcements.

Justice W. H. Shorb is today announced

as a candidate for re-nomination for jus-

tice of the peace subject to the decision

of the Republican convention. Mr. Shorb

has filled the office in the past in a very

acceptable manner and as he has made a

good magistrate there is but little doubt

that the people will keep him in the bar-

ness. He asks that all his Republican

friends remember him favorably at the

primaries. Put Shorb's name on the

ticket and he will be elected by a hand-

some majority.

In this issue of the Republican Samuel

T. Keeler is announced as a candidate for

assessor, a position he has filled with gen-

eral acceptability for several terms. He

will abide by the decision of the Republi-

can convention. Mr. Keeler is known to

be an excellent judge of values and the

fact that he has performed the duties of

the office faithfully is evidence of his

qualifications and in itself is a strong

personal recommendation. His many friends

will be at the polls the evening of the

primaries and see that delegates favorable

to him are selected.

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Still lower, you can't afford to have

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A jury in Peoria awarded a verdict of

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Adams for the loss of an arm in the fall

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AFTER THE FLOOD.

Report of Serious Damages in the Vicinity of Pittsburg and Other Points.

HIGHEST WATER ON RECORD.

Catholic Bishop Consecrated — Mrs. Beecher Weaker—\$75,000 Fire in St. Louis—Terrific Dynamite Explosion in Scotland.

Pittsburg, Feb. 24.—The great flood has done its worst in this section and the waters are receding. Reports from all points between Pittsburg and the headwaters indicate that all danger is passed. The river here is higher than at any time since 1884. There is hardly a point in the Monongahela valley which has escaped damage and in many places the high water mark has been covered. The damage is not less than a million and a half dollars in that valley. Millions of dollars' worth of machinery have been submerged. The poor who lived in small houses all along the river banks were made homeless. Truck gardeners on the bottom lands with vegetables in hot beds ready for market are ruined. The damage in McKeesport will exceed half a million. Three thousand people were driven into the second stories of the houses in Allegheny City by the flood. Steamboats are moored only a few feet from the entrance of the Hotel Boyer in this city. A great number of manufacturers are closed down and the workmen have been thrown out of employment.

City Halt Under Water. Portsmouth, Ohio, Feb. 24.—The city hall is under water. A thousand families have been compelled to move. Some houses have floated away.

Famously Drowned. Ashland, Ky., Feb. 24.—James Morgan, wife and child are reported drowned in the overflow of Beaver Creek in Floyd county.

Rev. Thomas Lanham Consecrated. Dulque, Iowa, Feb. 24.—Rev. Thomas Lanham of Fort Dodge, was consecrated bishop of Cheyenne in St. Raphael's Cathedral by Archbishop Hennessy today, assisted by many noted Catholic prelates and over 100 priests.

Mrs. Beecher Nearing the End. Stamford, Conn., Feb. 24.—Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher showed no signs of improvement this morning. She is exceedingly weak.

Skeletons Unearthed. Riverton, N. J., Feb. 24.—Workmen digging a trench near the Delaware river from this morning unearthed five human skeletons. One appeared to be of comparatively recent burial.

Terrific Dynamite Explosion. Paisley, Scotland, Feb. 24.—A nitro glycerine explosion at Nobel's dynamite works, Ayrshire, today killed six persons and wounded several. The explosion was heard fifteen miles away.

FIRE IN ST. LOUIS. Merchants' Exchange Building Damaged, \$75,000.

St. Louis, Feb. 24.—Early this morning the Merchants' Exchange building was damaged \$75,000 by fire.

HIS WIFE HIS BEST FRIEND.

Pathetic Story of Troubles That Led to an Attempt at Suicide.

St. Louis, Feb. 24.—Roy Smith, who attempted suicide at 1808 Wash street Monday night, is still at the city hospital. His condition is much improved, and unless blood poison, which is little feared, makes its appearance he will recover. It will be necessary, however, to amputate his right hand.

The story of the last few years of Smith's life is a pathetic one, but not uncommon. He has sought employment in vain, and recently he has been so unfortunate that his effort to kill himself, in his own mind at least, not without excuse.

Mrs. Roy Smith is a brave little woman of unusual attractiveness, and, although the happenings of the previous twenty-four hours have left her nervous and distressed, she tells her story in a way which must bring for her the sympathy of all who meet her.

Mrs. Smith was married May 19, 1890, and, despite recent misfortune, her married life has been happy. She met Mr. Smith at her birthplace, Lafayette, Ind., when he was the agent of one of the large real estate companies then operating in the gas belt region. They remained in that part of the country until 1886, when Mr. Smith went to Chicago to represent an eastern publishing house, and remained until 1893, when the firm failed. From this time misfortune seemed to follow them, and Smith began to drink to excess. His father, then connected with

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"Governor Bushnell has said in response to interviewers that he had delayed this announcement until he could thoroughly satisfy himself as to the wishes of the mass of Republicans of Ohio, which he has done, and now gives out the information because of the general interest taken in the matter throughout the country, believing it will promote harmony in the party in this state, which it most certainly will."

Then comes this announcement in the same article:

"Governor Bushnell will stand for reelection this year, and will not be a candidate for United States senator, full term, next year."

This leaves Mr. Hanna in full possession of the field.

Chances of Gov. Bradley's Appointment. Washington, Feb. 24.—If Governor Bradley of Kentucky, appoints a senator it is a certainty his appointee, if admitted at all, will not get in for some time. The senate has in three separate cases decided that a governor's appointment under the circumstances existing in Kentucky is invalid. It has been asserted that Senator Blackburn has given Governor Bradley assurances that his appointee will be admitted. It is quite true he has asked a number of his friends on the Democratic side to vote for the admission of Governor Bradley's appointee, and it is also true that several of those to whom he has spoken have told him they could not stultify themselves by doing so. The point made by Mr. Blackburn is that if the governor does not convene the present legislature he has a chance to make another fight before the legislature to be chosen in November next, whereas, if the present legislature should choose it, it would be for six years from March 4, 1897.

Blood Poisoning. Terre Haute, Ind., Feb. 24.—Jack Taylor, an old soldier of Chisman, Ill., is dying at the hospital from blood poisoning caused by a knife wound on the hand, inflicted by George Inge, Jr., of that town, about ten days ago. Taylor was brought here to have his arm amputated, but it is thought blood-poisoning had progressed too far at the time the operation was performed to save his life. A man named Powers was cut at the same time by Inge, but his wound is not serious. The evidence at the preliminary examination was that Inge's act was wholly unprovoked, and Taylor's friends have banded together to see to it that Inge is prosecuted to the end. He is now in jail in Paris.

Death Due to a Horse's Bite. Jacksonville, Ill., Feb. 24.—Last November while Mrs. Margaret Watson was passing along the street a horse tied near the court house bit her on the muscle of one of her arms and threw her down with such force on the stone sidewalk as to fracture her skull, and an examination with X rays gave evidence of clot of blood on the brain. She was taken to her bed about two weeks ago and has been a great sufferer until her death this afternoon, at the age of 53 years.

Died of Hiccups. Aurora, Ill., Feb. 24.—Lucius M. Hoyt, aged 74, son of L. P. Hoyt, a wealthy citizen of Aurora, senior member of the large manufacturing firm of Hoyt & Brother company, died last night, after a week or more of terrible suffering. About a week ago he was seized with a violent case of hiccups which the doctors were unable to alleviate.

The Chicago Bicycle Race. Chicago, Feb. 24.—At 10 o'clock a. m. the bicycle race was as follows: Schmeider, 858; Ashinger, 800; Miller, 798; Lawson, 747; Stewart, 739; Bradis, 716; Hale, 616.

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OUT ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

Letter From Rev. George F. Hall—Incidents of the Long Journey.

Editors Republican:—Well, I take my pen in hand to let my Decatur friends know through your valuable columns, that I am well, and hope that this will find everybody there enjoying a similar blessing, etc. You see I start out like an old-timer. The fact is that incessant travel the past month has robbed me of both time and mood for writing, and hence my silence.

Let me see: I wrote you last from Laramie, Wyo. From there I went to Helena, Montana, where I lectured for the M. E. Church, South. Rather peculiar to find a strong church of this denomination so far north. One man in this church pays \$50 a month on his pastor's salary. He is not so very wealthy either, but believes in spending his own money where it will do the most good, and not leave it for his heirs and lawyers to quarrel over. After the lecture the pastor lit his pipe and we sat down in his study for chat. He used to be a gambler, and once ran a faro bank at Springfield, Ill. But he reformed, and is now not only running a good church, but is putting \$10,000 in a copper mine from which he expects to extract a fortune. Preachers catch the investment fever out here. I should probably have it had I had anything to invest.

At Butte City I visited the celebrated Anaconda mine, which the discoverer sold for \$30,000, but which is now worth thirty millions. Butte is a wicked city of forty thousand, but the liveliest place in a business way I have visited for several years.

At Pullman, Wash., I gave four addresses, one in the Grand Opera House, one at a union service held for me in the Congregational church, another at the Christian church and a fourth at the State Agricultural college. Colfax and Moscow, neighboring cities were my next points, in both of which I filled successful engagements. This is a great wheat country. One acre produced 104 bushels. The ground was first sowed with "club" seed, which produces a short stalk with heavy head. After this got a start, it was sowed with a taller variety. Thus the farmer practically secured two crops off his acre at the same outlay and hence his great yield. This wheat was exhibited in bundles I believe in the Washington building at the World's Fair.

I visited Spokane, Seattle and Tacoma, all prosperous places. Between the two latter points I took the "Flyer," a boat that makes the run across Puget Sound at the rate of about 20 miles an hour. It was a delightful ride.

At Chehalis, Wash., I lectured for the Presbyterians, preached for the Methodists and addressed a large audience of men only at the Opera House. This is a lumber country and trees grow to the height of 300 feet near here. I have a friend here who owns 100 acres of this wonderful timber, from which he expects to sell fifteen million feet of fine lumber.

From Portland to San Francisco by way of the Southern Pacific, is 773 miles, and one passes some of the grandest scenery in the world, notably Mt. Shasta, which on a clear day is in sight during 200 miles travel. Salem, capital of Oregon, is on the way, and I stopped here to deliver my "New Woman" lecture under the auspices of the Men's League of the Presbyterian church. At the close of the lecture a gentleman stepped up to me and told me that he was a member of my college room-mates of fifteen years ago. He is serving his second term as a state representative, and is now Speaker of the House. It was a great pleasure to talk over our boyhood days together. We had entirely lost track of each other of late.

Sunday, Feb. 14, I lectured to men only in the magnificent auditorium of the First Presbyterian church, Pasadena, and in the evening preached for Dr. A. C. Smithers at the First Christian church, Los Angeles. The following day I went to Riverside, where I lectured under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Riverside is a beautiful and wide-awake city of 7,000 and boasts the largest Y. M. C. A. for its population of any city in the United States—over 400 active members. They have a fine building of their own, and a Secretary in the person of C. W. James of whom the city is justly proud. He founded the Association with 73 members less than three years ago, and has built it up to what it is. James and myself were sent-inmates in the Clarksville, Iowa, graded schools when boys, and have always had a warm attachment for each other. He is very religious but not hide-bound, progressive, fraternal, gentlemanly. I lecture for many Y. M. C. A.'s and meet many secretaries, but do not hesitate to say that Riverside is hard to equal. The physical director, Dr. Robely, is an old friend of Prof. Baird's. Decatur's talented young man who occupied a similar position. I am a friend to honest Y. M. C. A. work, but I do detect narrowness and trickery wherever I find them, and I am sorry to say I have occasionally found both of these ungodly elements in a secretary's chair as well as in the pulpit and church boards.

While in Riverside I was joyfully entertained at the home of Dr. Ruby, an old Decaturian, who, with his wife, daughter, and aged mother as living happily and prosperously in this land of sunshine, flowers and luscious fruits. The doctor left Decatur nine years ago, and is nearly 40 pounds heavier than he used to be. He remembers his old friends in Illinois with much tenderness, but expects to spend the remainder of his days in the "Italy of America."

Oranges are now at their best and I wish Decatur people could realize just what that means. They are so much better when fresh than when several weeks from their nativity. I think seriously of importing a carload about March 15, and having a grand Orange Carnival at the Tabernacle.

Leaving Riverside I had a long ride of 36 hours across the desert to El Paso, Texas, where I lectured last night under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. in the Chopin Opera House. El Paso is a queer place. Two kinds of money—Mexican and United States—and three kinds of time—central, mountain and pacific. I think there are ten thousand kinds of people, that is every one for himself. But in the mixture there are some of the salt of the earth—nobles, self-sacrificing, godly people. Mr. Patterson, of the Christian church, a lawyer of moderate means, gives over \$500 a year in support of the gospel. If some people I know in Decatur who give fifty now would give proportionately, their offerings would run up to a thousand. I went over into Old Mexico awhile and that country beggars description. Dirty, jabbering, thieving lot. I was glad to get back under the stars and stripes. In fact the United States is the only place on earth really to spend one's days in. I think, and after years of very extensive travel and observation in the states even, I want to say that Illinois and Decatur at that, is the best place to live! In a recent letter my good wife says, "I think we have the best church in the world," and urges me to hurry home to the work. She voices my sentiments, and here I come! Am now on a 971 mile run from El Paso to Newton, Kan., where I fill my last engagement this trip. After a few days' visit with friends in the Sunflower state, I will be home Saturday, Feb. 27, having traveled 7,000 miles and delivered 23 addresses in 11 different states.

George F. Hall.

Albuquerque, New Mexico, Feb. 16, '97

The Ideal Panacea.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: "I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physician's prescriptions or other preparations."

Rev. John Burgess, Keokuk, Iowa, writes: "I have been a Minister of the Methodist Episcopal church for 50 years or more, and have never found anything so beneficial, or that gave me such speedy relief as Dr. King's New Discovery." Try this Ideal Cough Remedy now. At West's drug stores.

Mitline.

T. O. Holcomb was in Decatur Saturday night to see the "Brownies." T. O. says something like Uncle Tom's Cabin would suit him a great deal better than the "Brownies."

Will Lafave went to Decatur Tuesday on business.

Bennett Armsworth is the possessor of a brand new buggy.

Herman Bauman is getting in quite a supply of farming implements for the spring opening.

Quint Snyder will go to Paxton, Ill., the latter part of this week to remain all summer. "Poor Lucy."

Will Snyder will work for J. C. Kuns on the farm this summer.

The series of meetings closed at the Christian church Sunday night with very few additions. Bro. Patterson departed for his home in Danville Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gullford were visitors in Monticello Tuesday of this week.

C. E. Schlagle has returned from Monticello a much wiser man, so he says, than when he went.

D. N. Bower of La Place, was here Monday to see Grandma Shepherd who is still very low.

Grandpa Dobson is reported on the sick list.

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TATTOOED EYES.

How a Disfigured Eye May Be Brightened with India Ink.

The latest discovery of scientific medical men is that the human eye may be tattooed any color. It is now quite within the bounds of possibility for doctors to tattoo a man's eye bright scarlet or green. Of course, eyes are only tattooed in cases where one of them is blind, and has assumed in consequence a peculiar dead and ghastly appearance. An eye in this condition will entirely disappear, but a modern oculist may color one of these "dead" eyes, and restore it to its natural appearance, so that nothing but the closest scrutiny can detect the difference between it and its fellow.

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Must Keep Their Mustaches.

The order requiring mustaches on Queen Victoria's officers runs thus: "A report having been received in the department to the effect that it is getting the fashion in some regiments for young officers to shave the upper lip, the secretary of state for war requests that you will be so good as to take such steps as you may think necessary to insure the provisions of queen's regulations being adhered to."

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We will do dyeing and fine dry cleaning at reduced prices for the next thirty days. Now is the time to have your suits of clothes or overcoats dyed, cleaned and pressed by first-class, practical dyers and dry cleaners. You get the best work done in the city at Miller's Steam Dye House and Dry Cleaning Works, 145 North Main street.

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Munyon's Rheumatism Cure is guaranteed to cure acute or muscular rheumatism in from one to five days. Sharp, shooting pains in any part of the body stopped by a few doses. A prompt, complete and permanent cure for lameness, soreness, stiff back and all pains in hips and joints. Chronic rheumatism, sciatica, lumbago or pain in the back are speedily cured. It seldom fails to give relief from one or two doses, and almost invariably cures before one bottle has been used. Price 25c.

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Improved Homeopathic Home Remedy Company put up a separate cure for each disease. At all druggists, mostly 25 cents. Guide to Health free.

Personal letters to Prof. Munyon, 1006 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., answered with free medical advice for any disease.

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The World Famed Comic Opera Dream of

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Excursion rates to St. Louis and return every Saturday and Sunday. One fare round trip. Tickets good going Saturday afternoon and returning Monday morning.

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Administratrix Notice.

Estate of Robert G. Wells, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Robert G. Wells, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted.

All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1897.

ALICE C. WELLS, Administratrix.

Feb. 20-35w

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

On Feb. 23, March 29, April 6th and 20th, May 4th and 18th, settlers' one-way tickets to points south at very low rates.

Winter Tourist tickets are now on sale to the principal winter resorts in the South and Southeast.

Improved Dining Car Service on the Wabash. Meals will now be served A. la Carte on all dining cars on the Wabash line. This will be a great accommodation to passengers as it will enable them to select from the bill of fare just what they want and pay only for what they get.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bismarck on Chicago Division. Sundays at very low rates—good going and returning Sunday only.

Home-seekers' excursion to principal points in the west, northwest, south and southwest on the first and third Tuesdays of every month, at one fare plus \$2 round trip. Tickets good returning every Tuesday and Friday within three weeks. Stop overs granted on going trip.

Springfield, Ill., account Illinois Farmers' Institute Meeting; one and one-third fare round trip. Tickets sold Feb. 22 to 26th, inclusive; good returning till 27th.

Washington, D. C., account Presidential inauguration. One fare round trip. Tickets sold March 1st, 2d and 3d; good returning not later than March 8th.

Carmen City, Nevada, account Corbett-Fitzsimmons entertainment; \$7.40 round trip. Tickets on sale March 12th and 14th—good returning till March 22th.

Lincoln, Neb., account Biennial Conference, Seventh Day Adventists. Tickets sold Feb. 17; good returning only leaving Lincoln March 6th.

Account Mardi Gras, Mardi Gras tickets will be sold to New Orleans or Mobile at \$20.75 round trip. Tickets will be sold Feb. 22 to 26th, inclusive; good returning till March 27th. For complete giving full particulars of Mardi Gras call at city office.

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Quickest and best service to CALIFORNIA is now offered by the Wabash Railroad, in connection with the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe Railways. Vacated sleeping cars through to Los Angeles without change, making twenty-one hours better time from St. Louis than any other line, and corresponding time from other points.

For full information regarding rates of sale, limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—Fair; warmer to-
night and Thursday; Brisk southwest
winds.

It was a wise utterance when Gladstone
said that the allied powers had their own
character to develop.

It is expected the policy of the govern-
ment when McKinley becomes president
will assume an American aspect in rela-
tion to Cuba and a great many other
things.

The governor of Nevada seems to feel
greatly honored by his association with
Corbett and Fitzsimmons; and why not?
The chances are that either one of them
as governor would be as creditable to the
state.

The Creteans have voted for annexation
to Greece. The people of Crete, it might
seem, ought to be considered by the pow-
ers, but it may turn out that the powers
will assume to do all the thinking for
both Greece and Crete.

The longer the war lasts in Cuba and
the more sugar crops are destroyed the
more valuable sugar stock will become.
There are those who do not forget that
President Cleveland is the owner of large
blocks of sugar stock.

The victories of Spain in the Philippine
Islands are as great and as numerous as
they are in Cuba; but the strange part of
it is that the rebellion is spreading in
both countries. This would indicate
that the victories are largely on paper in
the Philippines as well as in Cuba.

For one who is "only a business man"
Mark Hanna holds his own in a remark-
able degree with the men who would not
give any one a penny to tell them any-
thing about the sciences of politics. Mark
Hanna counts the people in while the
other fellows do not and perhaps this
makes the difference in favor of Mark
Hanna.

The people of England had just ceased
shouting over Salisbury's action in refus-
ing to join with the Kaiser in his propo-
sition to blockade a Grecian port when the
news reached them that the same Salis-
bury's man-of-war fired the first shot in
the bombardment of the Greeks and Cre-
tans. What will they say of Salisbury
now, "poor things."

Some New War History.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Col. Fred
Grant is indulging in some remarkable
war reminiscences. To a newspaper cor-
respondent he has recently related some
scenes and incidents of his father's career
at Vicksburg and of his own experiences
in camp as a boy of 13, which it is safe
to say have not before appeared in his-
tory—not even in the official war records,
noted for their completeness of detail.
For instance, the world never before
knew that General Grant himself ran the
batteries at Vicksburg, nor did anybody
ever before know that Admiral Porter
was "hit in the head with a shell," and
certainly nobody knew that General
Grant's son was ever wounded; but as
Col. Grant tells all this to a reliable cor-
respondent we must believe it, or ask if
people can remember well the scenes of
their childhood. "Were you under fire
again during the siege, colonel?" asked
the correspondent, and Col. Grant replied:
"Yes, there was little time during the
siege that I was not in more or less dan-
ger. I had several very narrow escapes.
I remember being on a gunboat a little
later on when we were near the batteries
of Grand Gulf. I saw many men killed
there. I remember seeing one man jump
on the parapet of the enemy's works just
as our guns were discharged at them. A
shell exploded on the spot where he was
standing, and it must have blown him to
atoms. During this battle I was on a
gunboat, with my father, and we were
steaming in and out among the gunboats
during the firing. After a time we went
on board the Benton to see Admiral Por-
ter. The sight sickened me. The deck
was covered with blood and pieces of
flesh. Dead men, torn and lacerated, lay
about everywhere, and some of the gun-
ners, with still bleeding wounds, were
standing by their cannons. Admiral
Porter had been struck by a piece of shell
on the back of the head. As we came up
I could see that he was in great agony.
He was pale and he leaned upon his
sword, using it as a cane, while my father
talked to him."

The spectacle of Admiral Porter with a
ghastly shell wound in his head, leaning
upon his sword in great agony, must cer-
tainly have been a thrilling one to this
boy of 13. But it must be confessed that
if the world ever knew of this ghastly in-
cident in Porter's career it has utterly
forgotten it.

Bioting Out a Fraud.

The testimony before the ways and
means committee has brought to light a
system of fraud to which little attention
has been hitherto called. A number of
foreign manufacturers, not content
with the great favor shown them by the
Gorman-Wilson bill, have taken under-
hand means to escape even the light bur-
dens which it laid upon them. They
have hired irresponsible young men in
this country as "consignees" and have
consigned to them goods to be transferred
by them to the bona fide purchasers. In
the invoices these goods have been grossly
undervalued and the duties, ad valorem,
paid accordingly, while the transfer to
the real purchaser has been, of course, at
full market value. This method avoided
any of the risk which comes from having
to send two sets of invoices with two
sets of prices, as would have to be done if
the goods were sent direct to the real pur-
chaser. This system has, no doubt,
grown out of the fraud induced by the
system of ad valorem duties, a system
which those who would lead the country
to free trade by gradual steps have made
their own. Part of the evil will, no
doubt, be done away with by the change
from ad valorem to specific duties, a
change which it is safe to say the new
tariff law will make wherever possible.
This will by no means solve the whole
problem, but however it may be solved,
the solution will be along American
lines. There is a great sense of relief in
knowing that the matter will be in the
hands of those who believe in protection
to American interests, first, last and all
the time.

The Evils of Cheap Labor.

American Economist: I cannot fail to
remember the one thing which stands
between your labor and the labor of Eu-
rope—the one thing that stands between
your workshops and those of the old
world is a wise, patriotic, American pro-
tective policy. From Major McKinley's
Veranda Speeches.

This remark of Major McKinley was
greeted with cries of "Right you are."
And right he is, even the free traders
have to admit. They claim that the
American laborer does not need anything
to stand between him and the foreign
workman. But the laborer himself, who
knows more about facts, if less about the-
ory, has a different idea. He has been
thrown in contact with the cheap labor of
Europe which has come to this country
to better its condition, and he sees how
they are willing to live even here, and for
what miserable wages they are willing to
work. He knows that he cannot meet
such conditions and keep his self-respect,
or even keep body and soul together.
This much he knows. That these cheap
laborers are just as dangerous to him in
their own countries as they are in this
country, unless some barrier is placed be-
tween him and them, he has begun to re-
alize since partial free trade has made
that a fact, too. As Major McKinley
said, the only barrier which can effectually
stand between him and the pauper
labor of Europe, is a protective tariff.
The American workman has come to realize
that fact, too, and facts are right in
his line. All these facts give rise to one
more fact, viz., the passing of free trade

A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morrison, of Worthington, Ind.,
Says writes: "You have a valuable pre-
scription in Electric Bitters, and I can
cheerfully recommend it for general use
and Sick Headache, and as a general sys-
tem tonic. It has no equal." Mrs. Anna
Stehle, 2235 Cottage Grove Ave., Chi-
cago, was all run down, could not eat nor
digest food, had a backache which never
left her and felt tired and weary, but six
bottles of Electric Bitters restored her
health and strength. Price 50 cents and
\$1.00. Get a bottle at West's drug store

The check-rower has been the farmers'
useful and constant companion for many
years, but the world moves and they do
say that the check-rower must go. A
Decatur man claims to have invented an
attachment for the axle of a planter that
entirely does away with the necessity of
the row wires. It makes an indentation,
measures off the ground and drops the
corn in rows as perfectly as the machinery
now in use and with less trouble. The
device is covered by patent and will be
manufactured at Decatur.—Paris Beacon.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Oint-
ments, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum,
Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands,
Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions,
and positively cures Itches, or no pay re-
quired. It is guaranteed to give perfect
satisfaction, or money refunded. Price
25 cents per box. For sale by E. A.
West, the druggist.

It is announced that the Illinois Cen-
tral is figuring on the establishment of a
line of steamers to run between New Or-
leans and Venezuela. The idea is not en-
tirely new with the management of the
road, for it has been thinking over the
proposition for some time, but it is said
that the chances of its being carried into
effect are brighter now than at any time
in the past.

Very likely the street railway manage-
ment will string up tannin wires at
street switches to guard against future
accidents like that of last evening at Wa-
ter and North.

REDUCED PRICES FOR 30 DAYS.

Ladies' and Children's Dresses,
Cloaks, Wrappers and Capes dyed
and dry cleaned. No ripping apart.
Lace and chenille and portiere dry
cleaned at reduced prices for Febru-
ary, by the leading practical dyers
and dry cleaners of Decatur. H. H.
Miller & Bro., 145 North Main street.

A CARELESS PETITIONER.

Signed a Paper Asking for His Own Re-
moval.

"I saw in one of the papers the other
day," said a Griswold street lawyer to
a Detroit Free Press man, "something
about the careless way in which most
men sign petitions and it reminded me
of a rather remarkable case in an Ohio
city."

"A shrewd but unscrupulous member
of the bar fixed his ambition on a gov-
ernment office in the place and caused
to be circulated, as quietly as possi-
ble, several petitions asking for the re-
moval of the incumbent of the post, on a
fairly plausible pretext, duly set
forth."

"These petitions were placed in the
hands of co-conspirators, who found
little difficulty, owing to the carelessness
mentioned, in getting numerous
signatures. They were forwarded to
Washington, and the head of the de-
partment to whom they were referred
submitted them to the congressman of
the district in which the office was lo-
cated. That gentleman, being a warm
personal friend of the official whose re-
moval was asked, sent the petitions to
him, without as much as examining
them, but with the suggestion that the
official scan them carefully and quick-
ly got up counter petitions in his own
favor. The official received them in
surprise, for the scheme had been so
quietly worked that he, being a man
deeply absorbed in his duties, had real-
ly not heard of them. And on running
over them he was dumfounded to find
his own name among them. He then
vaguely recalled signing a petition for
something or other, without question,
and realized that he had been cleverly
duped into asking for his own removal
by a sharp fellow who knew enough
about this failing of the average man
to risk submitting the petition to him,
purely as a joke. The official had no
trouble getting stronger petitions ask-
ing for his retention and he kept the
place."

USE OF SLANG.

Delicate Application of It Made by Skill-
ful Adepts.

The really amusing feature of slang,
says a writer in the Illustrated Ameri-
can, is not the expression itself so much
as the delicate and fanciful application
of it made by skillful hands. "Don'tcher
know has been established so exten-
sively and generally that the listener's
ear takes no more notice of it than of a
punctuation mark. Nevertheless, it is
an irritation to hear it constantly
repeated. "You understand me, you
see what I mean?" thrown in at the end
of every sentence, even though the
conversation may be about the sim-
plest matter, causes a nervous intelli-
gent auditor to feel that he is being
mistaken for an imbecile. To ask a man
with special emphasis if he under-
stands, when the subject before him
would be understood by a child of
two, borders on insult. The good-hu-
mored, pachydermatous speaker has
no appreciation of the irritation he is
causing nor of the keen sarcasm of
the occasional reply he elicits. Slang
seems to be the natural mode of ex-
pression for the boy at school and col-
lege. From him it spreads to his sis-
ters, and not to know the meaning of
all the complicated and arbitrary terms
argues one's self out of the world of
youth. To be in sympathy with it one
must have at least a lowering acquaint-
ance with this strange and ephemeral
language.

A SAD MISTAKE.

Hard on the Boys, But the Schoolmaster
Was Pleased.

"It's plain the boys and young fel-
lows in this town must be a bad lot,"
said a tourist to the proprietor of a
hotel in Arkansas, relates the New York
World. "I've seen no less than five
young fellows from 16 to 18 years of
age go by with blackened eyes and a
bandaged-up look generally."

"You wonder know how that hap-
pened?" asked the hotel man, with a
grin.

"Yes, I would."
"Well, I'll tell you. You see we've
got a feller teachin' our school this
winter who's mighty on-pop'lar, an' a
lot o' the big boys o' the school lay in
wait for him the other night, callin' in
on ketchin' 'im an' givin' 'im a duckin'
in the river. He's sparin' one of
Hiram Todd's gals, an' the boys thought
it was his night on duty at Hiram's, so
they lay in wait in the woods near the
Todd house."

"Well, they'd made a mistake an' the
feller they pushed out an' tackled was
Bud Swipes, who's courtin' another o'
the Todd gals, an' Bud is the champion
slugger o' this county, an' the boys never
found out their mistake till Bud
had mauled half of 'em most to death.
Kinder tough on the boys, but I guess
the teacher ain't a-carin' any."

Priests in Paris Theaters.

The order of the cardinal archbishop
of Paris, that hereafter priests must
not appear in public without a cassock,
and that the clerical attire must never
be seen in a theater, is designed to keep
priests from going to the theater; but
it has been suggested that a priest
might continue to go to the theater
without violating the order, by con-
cealing his short cassock under his
overcoat.

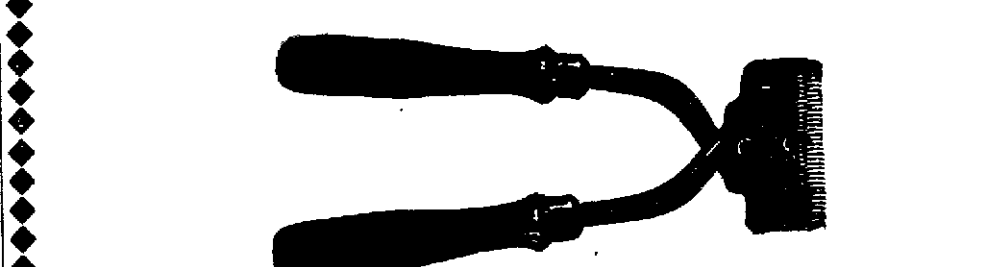
Effects of Severe Cold.

Travelers in the arctic regions say the
physical effects of cold there are about
as follows: Fifteen degrees above, un-
pleasantly warm; zero, mild; 10 de-
grees below, bracing; 20 degrees below,
sharp, but not severely cold; 30 de-
grees below, very cold; 40 degrees be-
low, intensely cold; 50 degrees below,
a struggle for life.

Largest Telephone Line.

The longest commercial telephone
line in the country connects St. Louis
with Boston, a distance of 1,400 miles.
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ON THE MARKET.
Every Pair Guaranteed.

C. L. GRISWOLD & CO.,
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Marshal Field, one of the shrewdest ad-
vertisers in the country, says that the wise
business man should spend 25 per cent of
his net income in advertising when busi-
ness is slow, rather than 5 per cent when
it is brisk; that he advertises because he
wants customers, and the more anxious
he is for customers the more attention he
will pay to his advertising efforts to get
them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are requested to announce J. C. HANES
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject
to the decision of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce P. B. PROVOST
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject
to the decision of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES
O'MARA as a candidate for Justice of the Peace,
subject to the decision of the Republican town-
ship convention.

We are authorized to announce O. W. SMITH
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject
to the decision of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES M.
CALDWELL as a candidate for Commissioner of
Highways, subject to the action of the Republi-
can township convention.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM
BENNY as a candidate for Commissioner of
Highways, subject to the action of the Republi-
can township convention.

We are authorized to announce J. T. LLOYD
as a candidate for Constable, subject to the
decision of the Republican township convention.

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H. MARTIN as a candidate for Collector, sub-
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We are authorized to announce S. T. KERRAN
as a candidate for Assessor for Decatur town-
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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MODERN WOODMEN.—Regular meeting
of the Eastern Camp, No. 1898 M. W. A., this
(Wednesday) evening at 7:30 o'clock in the I.
O. O. F. Hall, corner Main and William streets.
A full attendance is desired. Important busi-
ness to come before the camp. HARRY RUTH-
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MINIATURE WATERSPOUT.

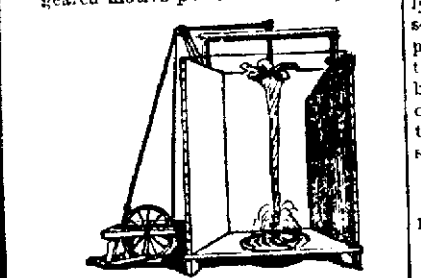
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DEVICE FOR MAKING ARTIFICIAL
WATERSPOUT.

driving wheel several feet in diameter,
and operated by a treadle or a crank.
Run a belt from the fan-wheel, over a
ruler attached to the side of the box, to
your motor, and have an arrangement
that will cause the fan to revolve at an
extremely rapid rate.

At the bottom of the box place a pan
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Soon the water will become greatly agi-
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of small drops will accumulate and fall
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an exact reproduction of a real waterspout.
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about this tube of vapor that it will cause
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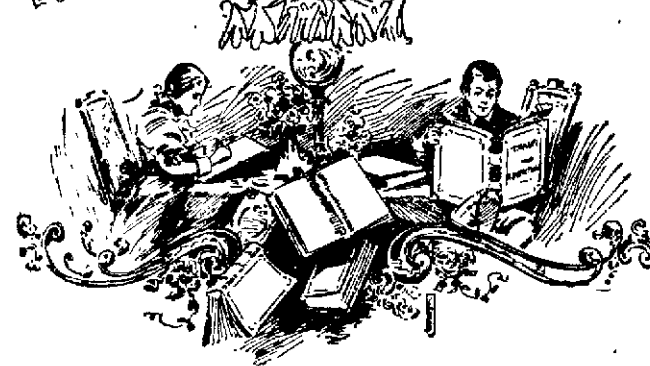
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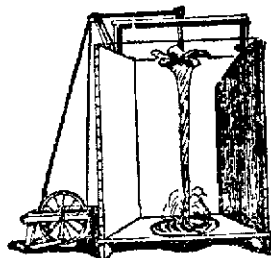
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THE LOBSTER'S LEGS.

Only Eight of the Ten Are Generally Used for Walking.

A lobster's legs all told are ten in number. But only eight of these are largely used for walking. The front pair, or big claws, have been specialized, as in the crab and most others of the higher crustaceans, into prehensile organs for catching and crushing the prey. Their use is obvious. Lobsters feed largely off mollusks of various sorts and other hard-shelled marine animals; in order to be able to break or crush the shells of these, and so to get at the softer flesh within, they have acquired such large and very muscular nippers and pinchers.

That is not all, however; not only have the two front legs been differentiated and specialized from the eight others in this manner, but also by a rare exception to the symmetry of the body, the right claw has been specialized from the left, each being intended to perform a distinct function. One is a scissors, the other is a mill; one is a cutter, the other is a crusher.

As a rule, the right claw is the slenderer and longer; it has toothlike projections or serrated edges on its nipping faces, and it is rather adapted for biting and severing than for crushing or grinding. The left claw, on the other hand, is usually thicker, heavier and rounder; its muscles are more powerful, and, in place of sharp teeth, it has blunt tubercles or hammers of different sizes. It acts, in fact, more like a nut-cracker than like teeth or a saw; it is a smashing organ. Nevertheless, you will find it interesting to observe, by noting the lobsters served to you at table, that this differentiation has hardly as yet become quite constant; for sometimes it is the right claw that displays the hammer-like, nut-cracker type, and the left that acts as nipper and biter, while sometimes no difference occurs at all, both claws alike being sharp-toothed or blunt-hammered in the same specimen.—Golden Days.

DUKE'S FUNNY PET.

New York Dog and Fowl Frenzy Like a Pair of Old Chums.

Whitestone village contains some remarkable animals, but the most intelligent one is a huge St. Bernard dog that belongs to William Higginson, the architect, of No. 108 Fulton street. Many strange tales are told of the intelligence of this dog, who answers to the name of Duke.

Duke is beloved by the children of the village. He escorts them to school every morning, and waits patiently at the school door until recess-time, when he joins in with the children in their games. No play is pleasure unless Duke is a participant in it.

Among Mr. Higginson's possessions is a large flock of fancy chickens. These are the product of one hen and her mate, a large buff Cockerin rooster. The affection Duke has for this hen is almost



BIRD AND DOG ARE CHUMS.

filial. He allows the hen to perch on his back and then centers around the yard with her. Whenever the hen strays off with her progeny Duke corrals her from the rest of the flock and drives her back to the yard. When night comes the hen roosts upon the dog's head, and the two sleep together.

The most remarkable thing about Duke and the hen is that they seem to perfectly understand each other. When the hen begins to cackle just previous to laying, Duke never leaves her. He squats down and, with his four feet, forms a nest in which the hen lays her egg. Mr. Higginson has refused a large sum for both the dog and the hen.—N. Y. World.

Street Covered with Glass.

There is in Milan, Italy, a covered street of circular shape, roofed with glass and surrounded by a large dome, round the inside of which runs a row of gas burners. The lighting of these, at such a height, is a difficult and dangerous until electricity was made to do the work. A miniature railway has been built close to the lights, on which runs a tiny electric locomotive, carrying a wick steeped in spirits of wine. When the time comes for lighting the wick is set on fire and the little engine starts on its course. It flies briskly round, kindling the circle of lamps and causing the greatest interest among the thousands who gather every night to witness it.

Looking Forward.

The world grows better, so they say; More gentle, dandier and sunny. Perhaps no one will think, some day, That comic valentines are funny. —Washington Star.

THE EARTH'S TEMPERATURE.

Some Observations Made in the Deepest Holes.

Physical geography teaches that the increase of temperature as we descend into the earth is about one degree Fahrenheit to every 53 feet descent. The following deep mines in the world show accurately the amount of this increase in the most notable instances. The deepest mine in the world is the Red Jacket shaft of the Calumet and Hecla mines, in the Lake Superior region, which has been sunk to the depth of 4,900 feet. The greatest depth in Great Britain is 3,474 feet; Belgium, 3,937; Austria-Hungary, 3,672; Victoria, 3,302; Germany, 2,960 feet, and France, 2,300 feet. In the Calumet and Hecla mines the increase of temperature is the least on record, being attributed to the presence of Lake Superior. On the other hand, the results of the Comstock are enormously high, from the lode being heated by volcanic action and the presence of hot subterranean waters. The mean of a number of observations of the Red Jacket shaft gives an average of 60 feet per degree Fahrenheit. The deepest bore hole yet made was sunk by the Prussian government, in 1893, and reached a depth of 6,572 feet, the increase being one degree Fahrenheit for 62.1 feet. In the Comstock mine it is so warm that sometimes it is impossible to work, due to the increased temperature, and ordinarily the men have to be changed very often, sometimes as often as once in 20 minutes.

SMART ST. LOUIS WOMEN.

How They Make Business for Painters, Plumber and Paperhanger.

The "lady capper" may be the next arrival from the west via St. Louis. The painters and plumbers and paper-hangers of that city have invented a scheme that will suggest to New York men in those branches the possibility of increasing their business when it becomes slack, says the New York World.

The "lady capper" goes to a real estate agent and tells him she desires to lease a certain house or apartment for which he is agent. "It needs new painting, new calomining, some plumbing, new paper on the dining room, and I'll only take it when these things are done, not before," she says.

The agent, if he isn't up to all the new tricks of women, obliges her and then communicates with her at the address she gives. The "lady capper" in the meantime reaps commissions from plumbers and painters before the agent gets around, and she only smiles in her tight sleeves while making such excuses for disappointing the agent and herself by not taking his house. There seem still to be new fields open to ingenious women.

Maine Forestry.

The forests of Maine are said to grow about as fast as the lumbermen can cut them down, and that the state is still supplied with an abundance of wild game is shown by the statement of an eastern paper that 50,000 outsiders have gone to Maine to hunt since September 15 last, and of these 800 have succeeded in getting caribou, 1,039 have killed moose and about 18,900 have gone home with one or more deer each. In addition to the above about 100 bears, 150 bob-cats and loop-every-ers and an unaccountable number of ruffed grouse and hares have been slain. It is little wonder that the game wardens of Maine are asking for more stringent laws.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will serve dinner and supper in the church parlors on Thursday, Feb. 25. Dinner from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m.; supper from 5 to 7 p. m. Dinner 35c; supper 25c. Reception in the evening. 23 2t

C. D. Webb Will Wed.

C. D. Webb of the Doctor Hardware company, left last night for Lancaster, Ohio, where on March 5 he will be married to Miss Martin of that city.

Many a man would defend his money with his life, and many a man does this very thing without knowing it. There are thousands of men who decline to defend their money with their lives. They are so intent on money-getting that they forget their health. The health cannot be trifled with. The body resembles a little disorder become big ones if they are allowed to run on. The man whose digestion is poor, pretty soon finds that he is losing flesh. He doesn't weigh as much as he did. He doesn't realize that he is losing vitality; that he is losing strength; that he is losing capacity for work; and that even his brain must of necessity become weaker, if it is not nourished. Loss of flesh means that the whole body is going to wreck. It is fatally easy to run downhill. A man keeps going faster and faster as he goes down. When health begins to leak out, it leaks very fast. The time to stop it is right away. The way to stop it is by taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is the greatest tonic and invigorator that was ever prepared. It is the discovery of a practicing physician, eminent and successful in his profession, the head of one of the greatest medical institutions in the world, The "Invalids" Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y. It is an almost infallible remedy that leads to consumption, chief among these are emaciation and general bodily debility. The "Discovery" invigorates and enriches the blood, invigorates the nerves, stimulates digestion, brings back a healthy appetite, healthy sleep, and a healthy, natural action of all the organs of the body. Druggists sell it.

Every man, woman and child in the United States ought to have access to a copy of Dr. Pierce's great work, the "People's Common Sense Medical Adviser." The book contains 1,008 pages, and is a complete medical library in one volume. Every one may have a copy, paper-covered, absolutely free, if he will send 21 one-cent stamps, to pay for the cost of mailing only. To the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y. If desired, send ten cents additional (thirty-one cents in all).



TO THE SOUTH.

BOLEN & LANNING, Real Estate Dealers, have another of their popular EXCLUSIONS TO TEXAS on THURSDAY, MARCH 26, where they are selling so much of their choice cheap lands near Houston and Galveston. These lands are smooth, level prairie, most of them new and rich, have never had a crop in them. We can sell you cheaper and better lands, better terms than any one else can take exchange in on some of them. Write us for circular. We also do a general exchange business; have land to exchange for stocks of goods goods to exchange for lands. In fact can do with almost any kind of a trade. Especially notice their circulars on the country across it you with almost any kind of a trade. Write us or call and the buyout from Galveston. Write us or call and see us in Mullikin bank building, Decatur, Ill. BOLEN & LANNING.

THE PALACE BURNED.

All Crete in an Uproar—Greeks May be Given Leave to Suppress Mussulmans.

Canea, Crete, Feb. 24.—The governor's palace with all the archives were burned today. Fire appeared elsewhere. It is believed that incendiaries are at work. The situation is most grave. Armed and excited Mussulmans are parading the streets full of indignation for Solinos where the Mussulmans are besieged. Araba threaten to burn the whole of Canea. The admirals are about to issue a proclamation to all villages exporting tranquility. With a population so divided and indulging in inveterate hatred all schemes for reforms are futile. It is argued that the best plan is to permit the Greek troops to occupy country and escort the besieged Mussulmans out of the island. They cannot remain in Canea. Attacks on insurgents continue at various points.

McKinley Getting Better.

Canton, Feb. 24.—Dr. Phillips said this afternoon that McKinley was gradually recovering his usual strength.

The Sick.

Today Dr. Everett J. Brown received a letter from Mrs. Hugh Crea in regard to the condition of Attorney Crea. Mrs. Crea writes that Mr. Crea's condition is unchanged. He is no worse but he has not gained any in strength.

W. T. Dillehunt remains in a very critical condition this afternoon. He is very low and it is not thought that he can possibly recover.

George Adams, of Peoria, obtained a verdict of \$7500 against the city of Peoria for damages received in the collapse of a building some time ago by which he lost an arm and was otherwise injured.

There are five candidates for the office of postmaster at Maroa and they are talking of submitting their claims to the patrons of the office at a primary meeting.

Lost—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armistone Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Quinine. Special low prices at West's drug store: Powers & Weightman, ounce... 50 cents German, ounce... 40 cents 2-grain pills, 100... 35 cents Gum camphor, pound... 50 cents

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MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 24, 1897. The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor, correspondent in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations:

	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.
Wheat—				
February.....	75	75 1/2	73 3/4	73 3/4
May.....	72 1/2	72 3/4	71	71 1/2
July.....				
Corn—				
February.....	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/4	24 1/2
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Oats—				
February.....	17 1/2	17 3/4	17 1/4	17 1/2
May.....	18 1/2	18 3/4	18 1/4	18 1/2
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Port—				
February.....	7.97 1/2	8.00	7.95	8.00
May.....				
July.....				
Lat- rod—				
February.....	4.00	4.10	4.00	4.10
May.....				
July.....				
May.....	4.10	4.15	4.10	4.15

May wheat: put. 73 1/2; cash, 74 1/2; curb, 74 1/2.

TO-DAY'S BROKERS—OUR LOTS.
Wheat—38. Estimated, 20; Year ago, 67.
Corn—312; Estimated, 220; a year ago, 405.
Oats—404; Estimated, 340; a year ago, 224.
ST. LOUIS, FEB. 24—MORROW.
Wheat, 11; Corn, 12 1/2; oats, 150.
Hog receipts 35,000; estimated, 40,000. Mar-
ket strong to shade lower.
Light, \$1.45@1.50; Mixed \$1.40@1.50; Heavy \$1.40@1.50; Rough \$1.30@1.50.
Estimated for to-morrow, 15,000.
Cattle receipts, 15,000. Market steady, 10c lower.

PEORIA QUOTATIONS.
PEORIA, Feb. 24.—(Corn, firm, new, No. 2, white, 19 1/2c; oats, firm, No. 2, white, 18 1/2c; 18 1/2c; Bye, nominal.

NEW YORK MARKET.
NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Butter, steady, cream-
ery, 17 1/2c; Eggs, steady, 15 1/2c.

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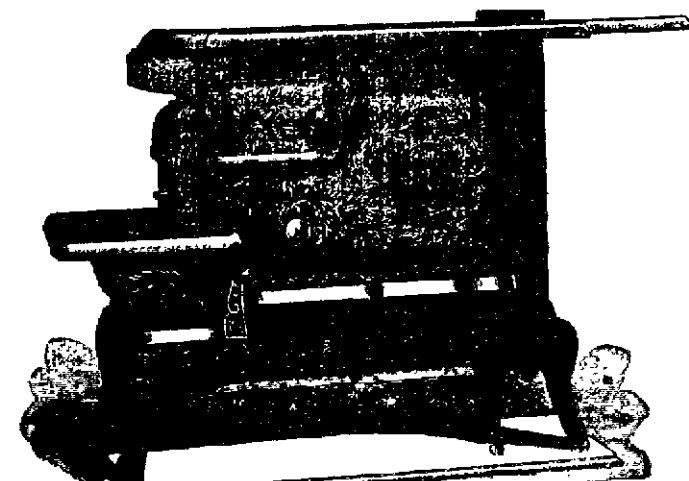
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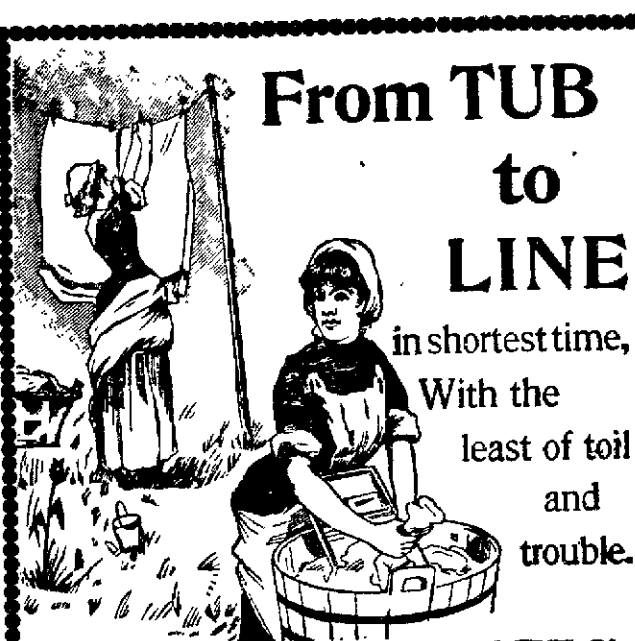
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3 dozen Men's Black Cheviot Suits, price \$8.00—for this sale.....\$3.75
3 dozen Men's Fancy All Wool Suits, price \$11.00—for this sale.....6.98
6 dozen Men's All Wool Pants, all colors, in heavy weight, price \$2.75—for this sale.....1.98
4 dozen Heavy Cottonade Pants, price \$1.00—for this sale.....58¢
5 dozen Men's fine Outing Flannel Nightgowns, price \$1.50—for this sale.....75¢
5 dozen Men's Muslin Gowns, fancy bosom and cuffs, for this sale.....40¢
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We just received a new line of Men's, Ladies' and Misses' Shoes, which we will sell for this sale at a Great Bargain.

36 pair Ladies' Dongola Button Shoe, price \$1.75 and \$2.00, for this sale.....\$1.10
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48 Black, Fine Jackets, regular price \$10 and \$12. Your choice for this sale.....\$3.50

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A BATTLE OF GERMS.

San Francisco Physician Sees One Disease Stamp Out Another.

An interesting problem is suggested to the medical world by a recent experiment of Dr. E. H. Woolsey. He was called to treat two children suffering from the fever which follows vaccination, and while they were under his care both developed diphtheria, from which they recovered quickly, says the San Francisco Examiner.

The physician is now almost convinced that there was a clash between the two ferments in the blood, and that the virus of the vaccine vanquished the toxin of the diphtheria. He watched the cases very closely, and he felt so certain of the correctness of his conclusion that in the notice of the cases which he sent to the health officer he announced that the diphtheria had been lightened by vaccination. The patients are now strong and well at a time when such sufferers are usually weak from the effects of the disease. In discussing the matter Dr. Woolsey said:

"The thought suggested by the recent cases of mine is the antagonism of one disease for another, like erysipelas to cancer, which is an entirely new idea as applied to diphtheria. Whether or not it will prove of any practical value is a question upon which I feel rather doubtful, but it is, nevertheless, of great interest scientifically, and throws new light on such subjects. It may incidentally be a point of vantage for experiments in other directions."

SUNBURN IN FREEZING WEATHER

A Jerseyman's Experience and Lieut. De Long's Story from the Arctic Region.

In this climate it is not common to find sunburn sufferers while the thermometer is away down near the freezing point, but there is an interesting portion of Lieut. Commander De Long's story of the voyage of the Jeanette which shows how plausible this explanation is. After the Jeanette was crushed in the Arctic ice and abandoned in 1881, and De Long and his companions took to the ice in June of that year, they found themselves suffering day and night from heat, although the temperature of the air was never above freezing. With the thermometer at 20 to 25 degrees, the men worked in their shirt sleeves and were covered with perspiration. On June 23 De Long wrote in his diary:

"Blistering hot since midnight, although the thermometer marked only 33 degrees in the sun. Our hands and faces are all swollen and blistered." On the next day, with the thermometer at 30 degrees, he tells how curious it seemed to see the men seeking places in the shade in which to enjoy an after-dinner smoke and rest, and so day after day his references to the unpleasant heat continue. The party even found it oppressive in their tents at night, although the tents were pitched on the ice, and the thermometer showed chilling enough figures.

ABSURD ERRORS.

Made by Noted Authors, and, Among the Number, Shakespeare.

Shakespeare's anachronisms certainly give him the palm for the greatest number of mistakes. Some of them are also strikingly absurd, as, for instance, the allusion to Cato in Coriolanus, supposed to have been made two centuries before Cato was born, and the allusion to a striking clock in Julius Caesar centuries before such a thing existed. These may, however, be put down to carelessness and the chaotic state of chronology in Shakespeare's time, and none of them are either as absurd or as indefensible as the error of which Coleridge was guilty when he married his immortal "Ancient Mariner" with the lines:

"The horned moon with one bright star Within the nether tip."

For such an astronomical monstrosity as this to have been visible, either the star must have been on the earthward side of the moon, or else it must have shone through the solid body of our satellite. What makes it all the more absurd is the fact that an educated man like Coleridge could hardly have been ignorant of such an elementary fact as this.

POLICE LINGUIST.

Japan's Civil Officers Are Proficient in Several Languages.

The police of Kobe, Japan, are perhaps the greatest linguists among the police forces of the world. Already many of the ordinary patrolmen speak English, French and German. Now the governor of Kanagawa Ken proposes to develop the police training school as the first step in anticipation of the enforcement of the revised foreign treaties. The inspectors and policemen of Kobe are to be taught and trained in the English, French, German, Russian, Chinese and Korean languages as well as in Japanese. The principal of the school is to be the chief inspector of police, and to policemen in service outside of the city, who are pupils of the school, pamphlets called the "Police Conversation Book" are to be distributed twice a month or oftener. These are to be supplied also to the policemen of other prefectures at their request.

Largest Fire Engines.

The two biggest fire engines in the world are in Liverpool. These are the most powerful fire engines known, throwing 1,800 gallons of water a minute and a jet 140 feet high. The force with which the water is ejected from them may be estimated from the fact that the jet was "warranted to kill a man at 350 feet."

Buckles in the Roman Army.

Some form of buckle was in use in the Roman army before the Christian era. These buckles were provided with tongues which passed through holes in the belt. In the reign of Charles II. of England buckles instead of shoestrings became fashionable and were made of great size, some covering the whole instep.

Illinois Farmers' Institute Meeting.

The Wabash railroad will sell excursion tickets to Springfield, Ill., at the rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip, from all stations in Illinois from which regular one way tickets are sold, Feb. 23 to 26 inclusive, good returning not later than Feb. 27.

The late general assembly appreciating the great benefits resulting from the holding of Farmers' institutes, passed a law creating the Illinois Farmers' Institute for the purpose of developing a greater interest through said organization in the better cultivation of crops, in the care and breeding of the most profitable type of domestic animals, in extending dairy, busbandry, promoting horticulture, directing attention to the importance of farm drainage, stimulating the spirit of improvement in the construction of public roads and discussing the best methods of general farm management.

Up to date farmers and live stock breeders will be greatly benefited by attending the state farmers' institute meeting to be held at Springfield Feb. 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1897.—10-d&w

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers. These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Storer & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Fred Engle, a coal miner at Tallula, was instantly killed last Tuesday by the caving in of the roof of the mine in which he was working. This is the first accident that has ever happened in this shaft.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such complications take DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. A. J. Storer & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

George Adams of Peoria, obtained a verdict of \$7500 against the city of Peoria for damages received in the collapse of a building some time ago by which he lost an arm and was otherwise injured.

All the different forms of skin troubles, from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. A. J. Storer & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

There are five candidates for the office of postmaster at Maroa and they are talking of submitting their claims to the patrons of the office at a primary meeting.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald." Richard Vinsel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vinsel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectation very easy and rapid. A. J. Storer & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The Turk Iron Bed company has been organized at Kankakee and will manufacture from 150 to 200 iron bedsteads per day, employing fifteen men.

Something for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stone pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Storer & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Kankakee now has two lodges of Knights of Pythias, the second one having been organized last Friday night with a membership of over fifty knights.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Storer & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Springfield's sporting men had a novelty Saturday night in the shape of a rat-killing match, in which the winning dog despatched seven rats in thirty seconds.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor; delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. J. Storer & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

"Diamond King" a beautiful horse owned by Tabor Matthews of Jacksonville, is wanted for the use of Governor Tanner at Washington, D. C., in the inaugural parade, and will be shipped to that city.

Ed Smith, son of T. E. Smith of Clinton, has become a partner in the furniture and hardware store of W. J. Saffell at Urbana. He has been conducting a successful business for years.

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Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Bile, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

THE LAST CALL...

Our sale will come to a close now—we need the room. We have ordered a large Spring Stock this season and we must have room. We don't want to carry any winter goods over for next winter, and if prices will make room we will make room. You can make big interest on your money. We need the money bad enough to make such a big cut. What we have left we will almost give away. Remember the old adage—"Make hay while the sun shines," so come at once and see what we have.

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Masks, Whiskers, Mustaches, Noses, DOMINOES, CREPE PAPER, BELLS.

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All Goods at Fire Sale Prices.

COME AND GET WHAT YOU WANT. The fire loss of December 28 has been adjusted and all new and slightly damaged goods—as good as new—will go at astonishingly low figures. Come early. Dry Goods, Groceries—everything, are in THE GREAT BARGAIN SALE.

LEONARD'S Department Store, —333—
NEW TELEPHONE, 248.

VANDALIA LINE EXCURSIONS.

The Vandalia-Pennsylvania direct line to Washington, D. C. Reduced rates to the inauguration March 1, 2 and 3. Leaves Decatur at 8 a. m., arrives at Washington 1:25 a. m.—only one night out—24 hours.

Marriages at New Orleans, March 1 and 2, 1897. Announcement of reduced rates on this occasion will be made in due season.

Tour of all Mexico via the Central route, under the auspices of the American Tourist Association, will leave Chicago Feb. 27, 1897. Tickets include all expenses, railway, sleeping and dining car fares, hotels, carriages, etc.

California via New Orleans. Pullman buffet sleeper every Tuesday and Saturday night from Chicago, connecting with the Southern Pacific's "Sunset Limited" for Los Angeles and San Francisco. Pullman tourist sleeper every Wednesday, through without change (from Chicago to San Francisco).

On the first and third Tuesdays of each month settlers' one way tickets to points south, southwest and southeast.

Winter tourist tickets are now on sale to the principal winter resorts in the south and southeast.

Home-seekers' excursions to principal points in the west, northwest, south and southwest, on the first and third Tuesday of every month, at one fare plus \$2 round trip. Tickets good returning every Tuesday and Friday within three weeks. Stop overs granted on going trip.

To Indianapolis, Ind., on account Department of Superintendent of National Educational Association, Feb. 12, 13, 15.

For rates, time of trains, etc., address J. C. Mississippi, T. P. A., or W. L. Smith, ticket agent, Union Depot, Decatur, Ill.

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With the inauguration of new train schedules, we are now able to give our patrons service to the South which is not equaled either in time or comfort by any other line.

The day train, which arrives at Evansville at 6:15 in the evening, makes direct connection with the Louisville & Nashville limited train for Nashville, Memphis, Montgomery and New Orleans, and also for Jacksonville, Fla. via Chattanooga, Titon and Mason. This train carries Pullman Buffet Sleeping Cars, Evansville to New Orleans, Guthrie to Memphis and Chattanooga, Titon and Mason, and Jacksonville, Fla.

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Florida Twelve Hours Quicker than via any other line, and to give its passengers every comfort en route.

For rates, time cards, maps and all information, inquire of any Agent or write direct to A. G. PALMER, Gen. Pass. Agent, Evansville, Ind.

S. J. CASSETT, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agent, Peoria, Ill.

O. M. TIGHE, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agent, Madison, Ill. Jan 11-11

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed assignee of Mamie E. Thompson and all persons holding any claim or claims against said Mamie E. Thompson are hereby notified to present the same to him under oath of affirmation within three months from this date, whether said claims are due or not. All persons indebted to said assignor are requested to make prompt payment of the same.

Dated February 10, 1897.
Feb 10-4w A. F. GEBHARD, Assignee.

ATTRACTIONS OF COURTSHIP.

A Man Is Never So Interesting as When He's Courting.

There was a cynical fellow in the middle ages who, under the sarcastic title, "The Fifteen Joys of Marriage," wrote an elaborate description of 15 woes, which were likely, one and all, to destroy the foolish man who had slipped like a fish into the great net of matrimony, says Lippincott's. It is not probable, however, that his little treatise turned a single man from the error of his way. How should it have, when the great weight and authority of Mr. Punch have not been able in these days to make any appreciable difference in the issue of marriage licenses? Yet the genial philosopher's advice, which is an everlasting shame to Mrs. Judy, was perfectly decided. The truth is, men will not take advice which they do not want, no matter who offers it. They know that all the world loves them when they are lovers, and so the vain creatures will go a-wooing. All the pretty business of kneeling and sighing is becoming; when a man is courting he is more interesting than he has ever been or ever will be again. Whether it be Jockey who dons his Sunday coat to propitiate his goddess of the hay-field, or the fine gentleman who swears at his valet for a speck of dust when dressing for a certain important interview, he is worthy of notice; and even the frog, when he will a-wooing go, becomes a hero fit for poetry. The uneasy period of courtship tries the souls of men and shows what stuff they are made of, and therefore the manners of men of the fifteenth century when marrying or trying to marry indicate very fairly the refinement of society at that time.

LARGEST CHURCH ORGAN.

Convict in Sing Sing Prison Now Engaged in Its Construction.

A convict in Sing Sing is now engaged in constructing the largest church organ of the reed type yet known. It will contain 68 notes more than the largest standard reed organ of which there is any record. This instrument, says the New York Times, was designed expressly for one of the chapels in the new administration building, and its designer's plans and elaborate music scheme have been examined and approved by some of the best organ makers in the country.

The designer and builder of this organ is an intelligent young German, who, after mastering his trade of organ building, got into bad habits, committed a felony and is now serving a few years' term in state prison. Warden Sage learned of the young convict's capabilities through some drawings which he made, and, finding him competent and eager to ply his trade, the warden fitted up a small room for his use, provided the necessary materials and set him to work.

This employment caused a visible change in the demeanor of the man. Naturally frank and free from viciousness, the moment he found he was trusted with the responsibilities of an important piece of work the chronic sullenness of prison life left him. He is now working zealously; his artisan pride is aroused and he proposes making two first-class organs—the larger one for the Roman Catholic chapel, and the smaller one for the Protestant chapel.

SCRAMBLE FOR BRIDAL FAVORS

An Ancient and Curious German Wedding Custom.

In the February Ladies' Home Journal Mox von Binzer writes of his experience as "A Page at the Berlin Court" upon the occasion of a double royal wedding, and of the preceding and succeeding festivities. Describing an ancient and curious custom, he writes: "And now (after the wedding dinner and ball) came the 'Fackeltanz.' Several of the highest officials entered the hall with flaming torches. A procession was formed with the bride in the midst. A number of complicated polonaise figures were then executed after which the line closed about the bride and groom and marched out as escort to the bridal chambers."

"As the doors of the bridal apartments closed upon the happy pair we found ourselves immediately next the entrance. We waited expectantly for the next feature, holding our advantageous position with some difficulty. In a few moments the door flew open and half a thousand silken garters with the monograms embossed on the gold buckles were thrown out by the ladies of honor. Court etiquette was for the once forgotten—generals, courtiers, chamberlains and estate ministers scrambled and fought with one another for these mementoes. But vases, rest assured, got the lion's share. I have several of these souvenirs not although many were given away by that night to beseeching dignitaries."

BOARDED CAT THIRTEEN YEARS.

Two Cents a Week Charged and \$4.50 Due on the Contract.

Thirteen years ago a well-to-do family of Athens moved to a farm west of Union City, Meab. On leaving, the younger children disliked to leave behind a family of kittens with which they had become acquainted, and a subsequent visit to the old home resulted in smuggling to the new home their old friends.

The father discovered the cats at a while and began a process of extinction. The younger of the children, not like the performance and pick up the "Old White" and went to neighbors, where he contracted for it at two cents per week.

The matter was forgotten until recently, when the person who bought the cat contracted with the boy some pigs, and on delivery was sent with a statement of board cat for 13 years at two cents per week. The pigs were allowed at ten dollars and the boy still owes the man \$4.50 and the cat is still alive.

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We have such a large and varied stock of up-to-date Shoes to select from that we can give you size without any trouble in any style which you may select.

We will continue the sale on Broken Lots which we have been advertising until every pair is sold. Remember these goods are all new, fresh goods, and include such goods as HANAN & SONS.

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KING'S DRUG STORE.

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Hot water bottles, all sizes, 75c each, at West's drug store.—19-dtf

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Irwin's satisfaction tooth powder whitens and preserves the teeth.

Faust and Mephisto will be seen at the Grand tonight.

Headache cured in fifteen minutes with Irwin's burnless headache powders.

Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at the Opera House Drug store.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23-dtf

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent, made by John Weigand. Moh 25 tf.

Largest and finest stock of face powders in Decatur at West's drug store, all at out prices.—19-dtf

The rank of esquire was conferred upon a page at the meeting of Chevalier Bayard lodge, K. P., held last night.

Pure gum camphor, prevents moths, lowest price ever made; 50c a pound. West's drug store.—19-dtf

Thursday night the Fellowship club will give a poverty ball at Guards' Armory.

Only to be had at the old reliable Mill pickles in bulk. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344.—23-4t

On Thursday night at the First Presbyterian church a social entitled, "A Trip to Washington" will be given.

Still lower, you can't afford to have breakfast without a nice salt mackerel at 5c. Pearl Oyster and Fish company. Telephone 344.—23-4t

The pension board held a meeting this morning at the office of Dr. N. D. Meyer. There were several applications for examination.

On March 16 the Presbytery of the Vandavia district of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, will be held at Taylorville.

The society people of Jacksonville will give an amateur performance in that city next Friday. They will present Nat Goodwin's play "The Nominee."

People were in an independent state of mind last evening. Those who couldn't get a carriage walked around in the good old way.

Tomorrow the festival of St. Mathias there will be a celebration of holy communion at All Angels' church at 10 a. m., at which Rev. W. H. Moore of Quincy, will assist.

The Washash railroad is offering a very low rate to Washington on account of the inauguration of President McKinley. Tickets on sale, March 1, 2 and 3. Call at city office for particulars.

Last night Mr. and Mrs. John W. Graham entertained a congenial company of friends at their home. Six-hand euchre was the pleasant diversion. Delicious refreshments were served.

Basket ball game Thursday night at the Tabernacle. Tickets for sale at West's drug store, 15, 25 and 35c. Come and bring your girl.

Dr. Gilmore reports that the revival at Grace Mission still continues nightly. There were five conversions at the altar last night and nine others asked for prayers. There have been seventy-five professions thus far. The house is crowded and the interest is intense.

The entertainment given at the Y. M. C. A. last evening was well attended. The program as published yesterday was carried out and the evening was a pleasant one for the several hundred members of the young people's societies of the churches who were the guests of the association.

A delegate offered this resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, by the delegates of the Republican convention of the Fourth judicial circuit of Illinois that by virtue of his ability his long service, efficient work in the Republican party, the stalwart quality of his Republicanism, Judge Horace S. Clark has justly earned proper recognition by the Republican administration of the United States; therefore,

Resolved, That we earnestly commend him to President McKinley as minister to Mexico, and respectfully ask his appointment.

There were calls for Judges Bookwalter, Vail and Wright to appear before the convention and say something, and each jurist came to the front and expressed his

thanks and gratitude for the honor and renewed confidence. The addresses were short and to the point and each judge was heartily applauded. Delegate Cochran wanted to hear Judge Dunn and called for that gentleman. He responded to the effect that he scarcely knew what to say, except to express his feelings of resignation and to approve the excellent selection made by the convention.

The convention then adjourned sine die.

Organization.

The judicial district central committee met immediately after the convention adjourned and effected a permanent organization. I. R. Mills of Macon county, was elected chairman, and Perry Moore of Douglas county, secretary.

AT THE POLICE STATION.

Two Men Accused of Wife-Beating—Sholtz's Complaint.

In the Fourth ward last night two women were assaulted by their husbands. One was Mrs. George Maples, who has sworn out a state warrant for the arrest of her husband. The other was Mrs. Lee Henry, who came to the police with a tale of woe, but would not make a complaint.

Marshal Mason gave orders to run in Lee on sight, but the officers had not found him at last accounts.

Last night there was a row at the Showers' saloon on East Main street. In the melee A. Sholtz was struck by the barkeeper, Jake Haldeman, and knocked part way through the glass door. Haldeman was arrested by Officer Cross. He put up a cash bond and will appear before Justice Ahlry this afternoon.

Tom Fahey was arrested last night by Officer Holser on a charge of larceny, a complaint lodged by Cora Crossman of this city. Fahey has been out of town but had returned to visit his brother.

TROOPS NEEDED IN ALASKA.

Son of Lyman Gage Will Urge Government Protection.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 24.—Eli A. Gage, son of Lyman J. Gage, an employee of the North American Transportation and Trading company, who has just returned from the Alaskan gold fields, is on his way to Washington, with dispatches from the company, setting forth the urgent needs of the district, and asking that troops be stationed throughout the newer districts to protect life and property from the thousands of desperate characters who are said to be swarming over the wild regions in search of gold. P. B. Weare, president vice president of the company, will follow up the work of Mr. Gage by going to Washington as soon as President McKinley is inaugurated, and will urge the new administration to send troops to the Alaskan possessions in Alaska, without delay. Mr. Weare claims that United States interests in the new country make action imperative. The United States government has no officer in the Yukon gold district besides a revenue collector at Circle City.

CUBAN DEAD IN HIS CELL.

Andres Delgado is Found Hanging by His Neck.

Havana, Feb. 24.—A political prisoner, named Andres Delgado, who was imprisoned incommunicado, has been found dead, hanging by the neck in his cell at Sagua.

Charles Franklin Scott, the American who was arrested on Feb. 8 at Regla, a suburb of this city, has been imprisoned incommunicado here since yesterday.

The disagreement between the retailers and wholesale dealers continues. The former have resolved to pay for their goods in scrip and the latter refuse, basing their refusal on the need of gold to pay their import dues to the custom officials. The trades corporations ask that the currency be listed on the stock exchange in order to normalize the situation.

BOMBARDMENT DIDN'T STOP IT.

Desatary; Firing Still Going Between the Christians and Turks.

Canea, Feb. 24.—Desatary firing was going on last evening between the insurgents stationed along the heights of Suda and the Turkish outposts. The Turkish men-of-war threw a few shells in the direction of the insurgents. No damage was done.

AUSTRIA AND RUSSIA ACT.

They Propose Autonomy for Crete as the Best Means of Settlement.

Rome, Feb. 24.—Austria and Russia have submitted to the powers a proposal looking to the autonomy of Crete, which, it is suggested, should be made subject to a unanimous resolution to be communicated to Turkey and Greece.

T. L. Antrim for Constable.

In another part of this paper today appears the announcement of Thomas L. Antrim for constable subject to the Republican township primaries.

Mr. Antrim needs no introduction to the voters of Decatur township. He is well known to all. Is a staunch, reasonable and loyal Republican and has a host of friends. In case he is renominated his election will be assured. He was elected constable last spring to succeed Constable Ford deceased and has made a splendid officer and there is good reason in this why he asks a renomination. The Republican voters will remember him at the primaries and convention.

Remember the finest of the season—Roe Shad, Buck Shad.

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VAIL, WRIGHT AND BOOKWALTER

Old Circuit Judges Renominated by Acclamation—Resolutions Adopted

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—Short Session.

The Republican judicial convention for the Fourth district, embracing the counties of Macon, Douglas, Moultrie, Clark, Platt, Edgar, Coles, Champaign and Vermillion, was held at the court house this afternoon, with Hon. H. A. Neal of Coles county, as chairman, and Wm. J. Hollenbeck of Clark county, as secretary. On motion the 135 delegates were seated and by acclamation E. P. Vail of Macon county, and F. Bookwalter of Vermillion county, were renominated for circuit judges by acclamation. Judge Dunn of Coles county, had been a candidate, but he withdrew from the contest during the forenoon.

Judicial Committeemen.

The judicial committeemen for the district in harmony with the resolution were announced as follows:

Champaign County—E. Bailey, Roy Wright.

Vermillion—E. Winter, W. E. Herron.

Edgar—Hiram Lycoe.

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The following resolution which was adopted was offered by Captain T. J. Smith, J. L. Ray and F. M. Green of Champaign county:

Whereas, we learn with sincere regret that the Hon. Hugh Crea of Decatur, a very distinguished member of the bar of the Fourth judicial district and of the state of Illinois, is now seriously ill in one of the Chicago hospitals. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we express our deepest sympathy with him and his family in his affliction and that we fondly hope for his speedy recovery and restoration to health, and that we greatly regret his inability to meet with this convention and that the secretary certify a copy of these resolutions to him at Chicago and to his family.

Judge C. C. Staley of Champaign, offered this resolution which was adopted.

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The number from the respective counties will be as follows: Champaign county, 2 members; Coles, 1; Douglas, 1; Edgar, 1; Macon, 2; Moultrie, 1; Platt, 1; Clark, 1; Vermillion, 2.

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Desatary; Firing Still Going Between the Christians and Turks.

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AUSTRIA AND RUSSIA ACT.

They Propose Autonomy for Crete as the Best Means of Settlement.

Rome, Feb. 24.—Austria and Russia have submitted to the powers a proposal looking to the autonomy of Crete, which, it is suggested, should be made subject to a unanimous resolution to be communicated to Turkey and Greece.

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